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The Great Class of 1939

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76th

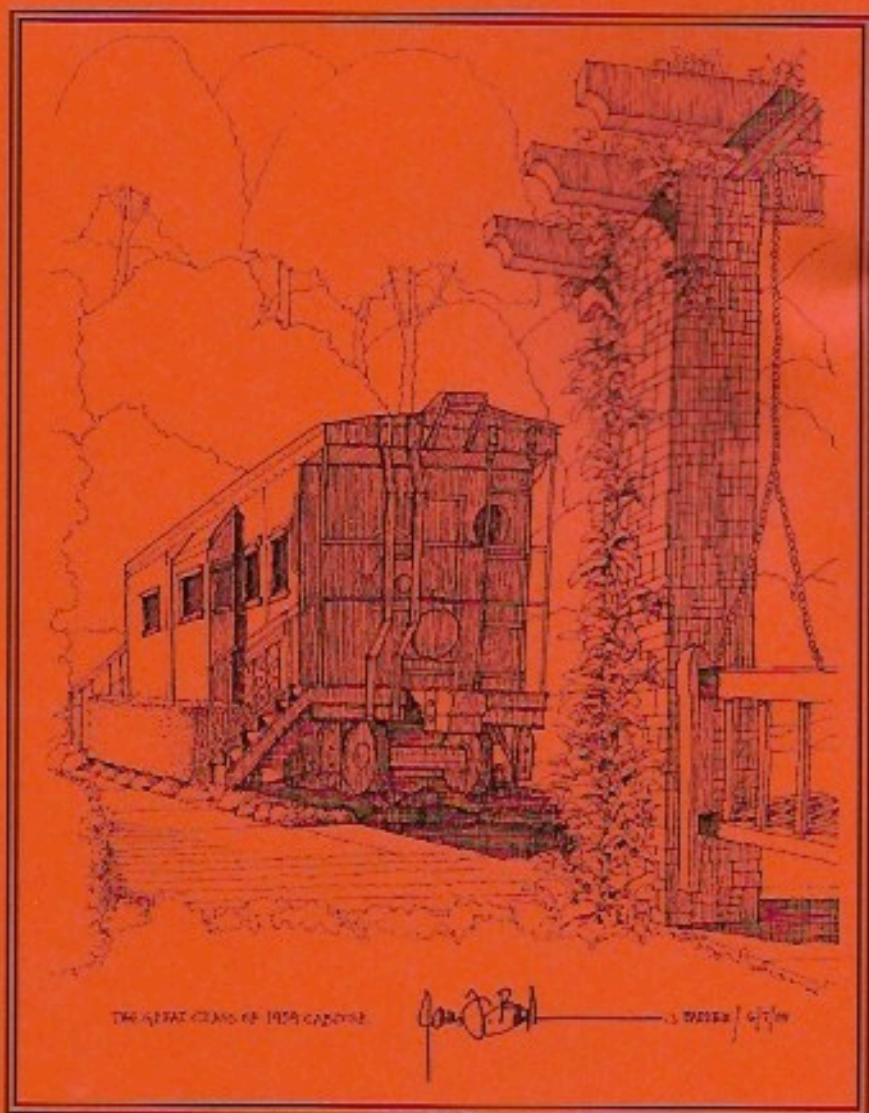
ANNIVERSARY OF
GRADUATION

REUNION 2015

June 12, 2015



Seventy-Six Years of
Support and Accomplishments



*Sketch of the Class of 1939 Caboose
Courtesy of President James F. Barker*

Welcome
to the Classmates, Honorary Members,
Family and Friends of
The Great Class of '39
on this
76th Anniversary Reunion 2015
at
Clemson University

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Program of Events

SEVENTY-SIXTH YEAR REUNION

Friday, June 12, 2015

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

The Great Class of 1939

Clemson Univ. Registration - Madren Center Lobby - 8 a.m - 6 p.m.

Lunch on your own

Optional: Tour of Caboose and Heritage Gardens - 3:00 p.m.

In the SC Botanical Garden at Clemson University

Memorial Service in the Heritage Gardens - 4:00 p.m.

Social Hour - Kresge Hall, CU Outdoor Lab - 5:30 p.m.

Mickey Harder, pianist

Dinner - Kresge Hall - 7:00 p.m.

Presiding - Prof. Clifton S. M. Egan, Chair, Leadership Comm.

Class of '39 Induction for the 2014 Award for Excellence:

Dr. Catherine Mobley, Prof. of Sociology and Anthropology

Special Presentations - Chalmers Butler, Honorary Class of '39

Tee Senn, President of the Class of '39

Special Entertainment - Joel Brawley and Brad Russell

Thus ends another great reunion for the Great Class. Y'all make plans now to come in June 2016 for our 77th anniversary of graduation, ya hear!

Memorial Service

June 12, 2015 at 4:00 p.m.

The Clemson Heritage Gardens in the SC Botanical Garden

- * Presentation of the Colors BSA Troop 235
* *Pledge of Allegiance* BSA Troop 235
* *Star Spangled Banner* Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
Opening Remarks Chip Egan, Leadership Committee
Roll of Remembrance Hap Wheeler and David Senn
Guardroom Bell Ringer Joel Brawley
Meditation of Departure Kinly Sturkie
Eternal Father, Strong to Save Fort Hill Men's Quartet
Recognition of Family Chalmers Butler and Tee Senn, President
Prayer for the Departed Bill Pennington
* *Clemson University Alma Mater* Choir
* *Taps* Brian Muir, BSA Troop 235

* Those who are able, please stand.

Class Picture Anna Brawley

Class of '39 members and their families please remain.

Clemson University *Alma Mater*

Lyrics by A.C. Corcoran, '19 Music by Dr. Hugh McGarity, '66

Where the Blue Ridge yawns its greatness;	Where the mountains smile in grandeur
Where the Tigers play;	O'er the hill and dale;
Here the sons of dear Old Clemson	Here the Tiger's lair is nestling,
Reign supreme always.	Swept by storm and gale.

We will dream of great conquests,	We are brothers, strong in manhood,
For our past is grand;	For we work and strive;
And her sons have fought and conquered	And our Alma Mater reigneth
Every foreign land.	Forever in our lives.

Chorus

Dear Old Clemson, we will triumph,
And with all our might;
That the Tiger's roar may echo
O'er the mountain height.

Roll of Remembrance

I'll want to know each step you take
that I may walk the same
for some day down that lonely road
you'll hear me call your name.

From a resting bench
Turkey Creek Cemetery, Lee County, SC

Classmates

William Alton Beasley	February 16, 2015
William Belton Boyle, Sr.	February 20, 2013
Ralph Welcome Boys	November 9, 2014
Mayo Narvin Harmon	September 27, 2014
James Hughey Harrison	June 7, 2014
Robert Love Henry, Jr.	September 20, 2013
Donald Marshall Hutchinson	September 24, 2014
Melvin Eugene Sammons	June 14, 2014
Ernest Charles Sturgis	March 7, 1949

Wives of Classmates

Mabel McCoy Beasley	November 2, 2014
(spouse - William A. Beasley - dec.)	
Vera Mae Rogers Wright Boyle	January 28, 2013
(spouse - William B. Boyle, Sr - dec.)	
Elizabeth Brown Talbert	June 27, 2007
(spouse - John N. Talbert)	

Wife of Honorary Classmate

Frances Carol Turner	November 23, 2014
(spouse - Raymond C. Turner)	

The Meditation of Departure

From Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar"

Sunset and evening star,
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no moaning of the bar,
When I put out to sea.

Twilight and evening bell,
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell,
When I embark.

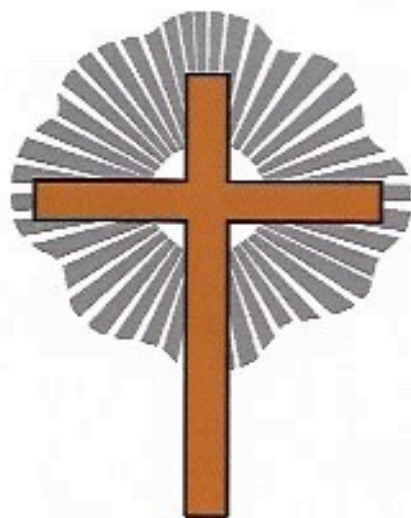
A Prayer for the Departed

By William Penn (1644 - 1718)

We give back to You, O God, those whom You gave to us.
You did not lose them when You gave them to us,
and we do not lose them by returning them to You.
Your dear Son has taught us that life is eternal
and love cannot die. So death is only a horizon,
and a horizon is only the limit of our sight.

Open our eyes to see more clearly,
and draw us closer to You that we may know
that we are nearer to our loved ones, who are with You.
You have told us that You are preparing a place for us;
prepare us also for that happy place,
that where You are, we may always be,
O dear Lord of life and death.





Obituaries

of

Classmates

whose deaths have become known to us

since our last reunion

in June, 2014

William Alton Beasley

Died February 16, 2015



1935-36



2009

Bill Beasley was born in 1918 in Bishopville, SC, the son of William K. and Lila Smith Beasley. He was brought up in Norway, SC, where he attended primary and secondary school before entering Clemson College in September, 1935. At Clemson Bill was active in the Calhoun Literary Society and the Orangeburg County Club and he graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in vocational agricultural education. Upon graduation, Bill accepted a job with the Clemson Extension Service and in 1942 became the County Extension Agent of Aiken County, SC. On July 31, 1944, he married Mabel McCoy and a number of years later in 1959 obtained his MS degree in vocational agricultural education from Clemson.

While serving as the Aiken County Agent, Bill operated, and later owned, the family farm in Norway, SC, from which he marketed, among other crops and produce, cotton, cantaloupes, and cucumbers from 1965 to 1985. He was Chairman of the Aiken

City Park Commission for thirty-seven years and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Aiken, of the Norway Masonic Lodge #237, and of the Grange at Shaw's Fork. Bill also was a director of area 4H clubs and an organizer of Camp Long activities. He and Mabel enjoyed square dancing and traveling with friends.

Bill passed away at age ninety-six on February 16, 2015, surviving his wife Mabel by slightly more than two months. He is buried beside Mabel in historic Bethany Cemetery in Aiken. Bill was predeceased in death by his wife Mabel McCoy Beasley and their son, Alton McCoy Beasley; granddaughters, Elizabeth Wilson Beasley and Anna Beasley Loeb sack; sister, Jewell Beasley Wilson; brothers-in-law, Edward Wilson, Sr., Frank Grohmann McCoy, and Frank McCoy, Jr. He is survived by two great grandsons, Joseph and Thomas Loeb sack of Charlotte, NC; nieces Marguerite (Tim) Bailey, Macie Kimball McCoy of Aiken, Stephenie (Van) McCoy Hewett of Mt. Pleasant, SC; nephews, Edward (Susan) Wilson, Jr., and Howard (Diane) G. McCoy; eleven great nieces and nephews; and ten great, great nieces and nephews.

William Belton Boyle, Sr.

Died February 20, 2013



1935-36



2004

Bill Boyle was born on July 6, 1918, in Sumter, SC, a son of Edwin B. and Alice Dickson Boyle. He graduated from Edmunds High School in Sumter in 1935 and entered Clemson College that fall. He was a member of the freshman through senior drill platoons and was Battalion Executive Officer during his senior year. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in mechanical engineering. Upon graduation, he joined his father in Boyle Construction Company in Sumter.

In August, 1941, Bill was called to active duty in the US Army and was sent to Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland, where he was stationed until released from active duty in 1946. While there he was awarded the Commendation Medal. Upon being discharged with the rank of Major, Bill returned to Sumter to rejoin his father in the construction business and on May 30, 1947, he married Mary Lorick of Columbia.

Boyle Construction Company was active in South Carolina and in surrounding states and, in particular, it was contracted by Clemson to build an architecture building, a research building, a new cafeteria, and a sewage treatment plant. When his father retired in

1962, Bill became President and Chairman of the Board of the company. He was a member of the Associated General Contractors of America, serving on its national board and also as president of its Carolina branch (NC & SC). He continued to head the firm until its purchase by Wesringhouse Electric in 1972.

Bill was a member of the Trinity United Methodist Church in Sumter and of its Boyle Bible Class (named for his father). He served the church as a Sunday school teacher and in several other capacities. He was an active member of the community and of the Pee Dee Area Boy Scouts of America; he was on the Sumter City Council, the board of the Sumter Area Technical College, and the Sumter County Election Committee, which he chaired. Bill served as President of the Sumter Chamber of Commerce and was a member of the Sumter Rotary Club Cotillion and the Palmetto Summit Club in Columbia.

Mary Lorick Boyle, Bill's wife of 48 years, died in March of 1995. In November of 1995 he married Vera Mac Rogers Wright of Andrews, SC. They lived in Sumter until moving to Clemson Downs in 2006 to be near Vera's daughter, Robin Lee. This close proximity to Clemson enabled Bill to take an even more active part in the events of his Clemson Class of 1939.

In 2011 macular degeneration and a light stroke made it necessary to move Bill to a nursing home in Laurens, SC, at which time Vera moved to Travelers Rest to live with Robin. Shortly thereafter, the need for greater care required that Bill be moved to Richard Campbell Veterans Nursing Home in Anderson, SC. Vera died at St. Francis Hospital in Greenville, SC, on Monday, January 28, 2013, and Bill died less than a month later on February 20, 2013, at the veterans nursing home in Anderson.

Bill was predeceased by his two wives, Mary and Vera; his parents; a brother, Dr. Edwin B. Boyle, Jr.; and a sister, Gene B. Brading. He is survived by his son, William B. Boyle, of Columbia, SC; two stepdaughters, Ann W. Pressley (Don) of Covington, LA, and Robin Lee of Travelers Rest; sister-in-law, Ethel Boyle Ripley of Mt. Pleasant, SC; three step-grandchildren, Kery Harrelson of Granby, CO, Alice Nolan of Mandeville, LA, and Kim Osborne of Columbia.

Ralph Welcome Boys

Died November 9, 2014



1935-36



2006

Ralph (Jim) Welcome Boys was born in Goodyear, CT, on January 30, 1918, a son of Robert William and Elizabeth Waring Boys, from England and Canada, respectively. In the early 1930s the family moved to western North Carolina where Jim graduated from high school in Hendersonville, NC, and served as president of his senior class. He enrolled in September, 1935, as a freshman at Clemson College. At Clemson he was active in the Presbyterian Student Association and played soccer during his freshman year. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Textile Engineering and with a commission in the US Army Reserve. After graduation, Jim accepted a job with U.S. Rubber Company in Winnsboro, SC, where he worked from August, 1939, until called to active duty with the US Army on January 5, 1942. Jim and Mary Louise Walker of Winnsboro were married in 1945.

Aside from stints working in the textile industry, Jim was a twenty-eight year career army officer, who served in WWII, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War with combat experience in WWII and Vietnam. In WWII he was assigned to General MacArthur's headquarters staff in the Pacific as a liaison officer to various units,

and in August of 1945 he began a six-month assignment to prepare Philippine government agencies to assume sovereignty from the United States. He returned to the states in February of 1946 and worked for U.S. Rubber in Winnsboro and Gastonia, NC, through 1948 after which he worked for Green River Mills in Tuxedo, NC, until he was recalled to active duty in 1951. Back on active duty, Jim attended infantry school and served three years in Germany as a battalion commander and as a staff officer in the G-3 (Plans and Operations) section at corps level. In the 1960s he served for a year in Vietnam as a US Army advisor to a Vietnamese regiment. Between overseas assignments, he served four years in Army Information in the Pentagon in Washington at the times of the Cuban missile crisis and the assassination of President Kennedy. He retired from the Army in 1967 as a Lt. Colonel. He was a recipient of the Legion of Merit. In retirement Jim maintained his military ties and held memberships in the Military Officers Association of America, the Military Order of the World Wars Association, and American Legion Post No. 16, which he served as Post Commander for a term.

When Jim retired from the Army, he and Mary Louise moved back to Winnsboro, where they both took an active part in community life. They were members of the Zion Presbyterian Church, in which Jim served as a deacon, an elder, and clerk of session. He was a Mason, Scottish Rite, Jamil Temple Shrine, and the earliest living member in perpetuity of National Sojourners. Jim was a member of the Fairfield County Historical Society and served as president of the Fairfield County Friends of the Library. He also was an Eagle Scout and a Diamond Tiger. Jim was a loyal supporter of the Clemson Class of '39, a regular reunion attendee, and one who could always be counted on to participate in class projects.

Jim passed away on November 9, 2014. He was predeceased by Mary Louise, his wife of fifty-two years, his parents, and seven brothers. He is survived by a son, John Carlton Boys (Lucy) of Greenville, TN; a daughter, Joanne Boys Padgett (Joel) of Winnsboro; four grandchildren, John Franklin Boys, James Austin Boys, Melissa Ann White (James), and Kelly Lynn Cooper; and one great grandson, James Blanding White, IV.

Mayo Narvin Harmon

Died September 27, 2014



1935-36



2004

Mayo Harmon was born in Lexington, SC, on January 12, 1915, a son of the late George Edwin and Ardella Kleckley Harmon. He completed the public schools in Lexington and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson, Mayo participated in the Calhoun Literary Society, the Future Farmers of America, and the 4-H Club. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in Vocational Agricultural Education.

Mayo and Elizabeth Mathias were married on June 9, 1940, in Lexington, SC. He taught agriculture from 1939 to 1942 in Bethune, SC, until he was called to active in the US Army in February, 1942, and was initially assigned duty as a basic training officer at Ft. McClellan, AL.

In September, 1942, Mayo was sent to Iceland as a replacement officer, 5th Infantry Division, and later to England and Northern Ireland. Thirty days after D-Day, Mayo landed on Omaha Beach in

France; he fought in France, Germany, Luxemburg, and in the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium. He received the Bronze Star and was released from WWII active duty in 1945. After the war, Mayo was in the grocery business for two years until he acquired the area ESSO (now Exxon) dealership and founded Harmon Oil Company, which he owned and operated until he retired in 1982.

Mayo was an original member of the board of directors of the Lexington State Bank - now BB&T - which he served for sixteen years. Also, he served Lexington School District 1 as a school board member and, since 1947, has been an active member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Lexington. Fishing, gardening, and traveling were his major hobbies.

Mayo passed away on September 27, 2014. He is survived by his daughter, Marilyn Harmon Boyd, and her husband, Norman; granddaughter, Amy Boyd Berry, and her husband, Chris; great grandsons, Will and Landon; and sister-in-law, Helen Vickers. He is predeceased by his mother and father; his wife, Lib Harmon; brothers George Edward, Wingard, and Melvin; and sisters Juline Harmon Jacobs, Helen Harmon Boatwright, Addie Harmon Hendrix, and Doris Harmon Redd. Mayo is buried in the St. Steven's Lutheran Church Cemetery, Lexington.

James Hughey Harrison

Died June 7, 2014



1935-36



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Jim Harrison was born on October 10, 1917, in Troy, SC, a son of Wade C. and Lucia H. Harrison. He spent his early life at Millway Plantation near Bradley, SC, and attended elementary school in Bradley and high school in Greenwood, SC. After high school Jim enrolled as a freshman at Clemson College in September, 1935. At Clemson, Jim was active in the Greenwood-Clemson Club, serving as vice president during his senior year, was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering society. Jim graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in mechanical engineering.

During his student days at Clemson Jim learned to fly at the Anderson, SC, airport. After graduation he continued to fly at every opportunity and began pilot training to earn a commercial pilot's license; he supported himself in part by delivering airplanes to and from sites in the US. Because he wore glasses, Jim could not qualify as a combat pilot, so, when WWII began and he entered the Army Air Corps, Jim served as a flight instructor for combat

pilots at Hawthorne Aviation near Orangeburg, SC, and flew as part of the Air Transport Command, ferrying personnel and materiel back from Europe and the Middle East.

After the war Jim was released from active duty with the Air Transport Command and became a pilot with Trans World Airlines (TWA) on international and domestic flights, flying primarily Super-G Constellations, as TWA commercialized the trans-Atlantic routes for passenger travel. Initially, Jim moved to New York, was promoted to Captain, and flew domestic routes out of Newark airport.

On October 19, 1952, Jim and Theo Wells were married in the Corinth Baptist Church in Vance, SC. They lived in Michigan, where they reared their two children, Elizabeth and James, Jr.

In 1965, Jim retired from flying and he and Elizabeth moved to Mt. Pleasant, SC. In his later years, Jim became interested in boating prompting the family to divide its time among Mt. Pleasant, Lake Marion in South Carolina, the St. John's River in Florida, and a family mountain cabin near Brevard, N.C. Theo died on March 2, 2011, following a lengthy illness and was remembered in the 2012 Memorial Service during the Class of '39 Reunion on June 8, 2012.

James Hughey Harrison died on June 7, 2014, at age ninety-six at the Hospice Center of the Hospice of Charleston. He is buried beside Theo in the Corinth Baptist Church Cemetery in Vance near Holly Hill, SC. Jim was predeceased by his parents and his wife Theo. Surviving are a daughter, Elizabeth Wells Harrison of Mt. Pleasant; a son, Dr. James Hughey (Elizabeth Davis) Harrison, Jr., of Charlottesville, VA; a brother, Frank Harrison of Greenwood; and two grandchildren, Patrick Wells Harrison of Charlottesville, VA, and Rebecca Davis Harrison of Riverside, CA.

Robert Love Henry, Jr.

Died September 20, 2013



1935-1936

Bob Henry was born on a farm in Rutledge, TN, on March 13, 1918, a son of Robert L. and Edith W. Henry. He attended Simpsonville, SC, High School, where he was president of his senior class. He entered Clemson in September, 1935, where he was an honor student and won the Clemson Foundation Award his freshman year. Bob was a member of Tau Beta Pi, the honorary engineering society, and of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, serving as Vice-President during his senior year. He graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in mechanical engineering and took a job in Charlotte, NC, with a manufacturer of brake lining.

Bob was called into active duty with the Army in 1942 and served until 1947. On September 12, 1942, he married Mary O'Brien of Philadelphia, PA. During his WWII military service Bob worked in the US Army Ordnance Department on the development of the proximity fuse, which revolutionized the accuracy of anti-aircraft fire and is credited with saving London and Antwerp from the German V-1 Flying Bomb. After the war Bob took a job with the National Bureau of Standards - now NIST - in Bethesda, MD, where he concentrated on automation of the manufacture and assembly of electronic parts and became prominent

in serving on industry groups studying automation. In 1953, as Chief of the Process Section of NBS, Bob presented a conference paper titled "Project Tinkertoy," describing a ground-breaking automated process for manufacture of electronic parts in units "put together like Tinker Toys." It drew international attention. In the same year he received the Arthur S. Flemming Award from the Washington, DC, Junior Chamber of Commerce as "The Outstanding Young Man in the Federal Service." The tinkertoy concept was referred to as the outstanding development of 1953 by the Journal of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers, and, in early in 1954, Bob was featured in a *Life* Magazine article entitled, "Wizards of the Coming Wonders."

When ACF Electronics took over the tinkertoy project in 1954 to exploit the process for commercial and military applications, Bob was hired to establish and managed a modern facility in Alexandria, VA, for the purpose of efficient assembly of electronic components. This facility and the process rights were bought by Illinois Tool Works, which moved it and Bob to the Chicago area. The move included a line of Paktron capacitors developed under Bob's leadership based on thin plastic film. This product was so successful that auxiliary plants were established in Lynchburg, VA, Taiwan, and Germany, all under Bob's oversight as VP of ITW.

After 25 years with ITW, Bob retired. In retirement, he started his own consulting firm, promoting statistical control methods for manufacturing and other uses. He was interested in photography, having built his own darkroom in his home in San Diego, and he also enjoyed woodworking.

Bob died on September 20, 2013. He was predeceased by his wife of 69 years, Mary O'Brien, who died November 28, 2011. He is survived by two sons, Robert L. Henry, III, of La Jolla, CA, and William A. Henry and wife Cindy of Charlotte, NC; four daughters, Susan Fennema and husband Robert of La Mesa, CA, Jean Stakias and husband Michael of Philadelphia, PA, Diana Kimball and husband George of Seal Beach, CA, and Joan Sanfilippo and husband Wayne of San Diego, CA. Also surviving are eleven grandchildren: Lauren Stakias, Michael Stakias, Kathleen Kimball, Kelley Kimball, Susan Kimball, Rachel Henry, Daniel Henry, Rebecca Henry, Hannah Henry, Timothy Snow, and David E. Snow; plus three great-grandchildren, Dillon Snow, Jordan Snow, and David Snow.

Donald Marshall Hutchinson

Died September 24, 2014



1935-36



2005

Don was born in Shady Side, MD, on July 26, 1918, a son of Ernest P. and Jeannette W. Hutchinson. He completed the public schools in Columbia, SC, and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was an outstanding student, having been a member of Blue Key, Tau Beta Pi, Tiger Brotherhood, and, for having been on the Clemson Swimming Team, the minor Block C Club. He held leadership positions in the YMCA, was a member of the fancy drill platoons all four years, was Brigade Chaplain his senior year, and was Commencement Marshal. Don graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in mechanical engineering.

In July, 1939, Don was employed by Sturtevant (which later became a division of Westinghouse) with assignments in Boston, Baltimore, and Atlanta. While in Baltimore he attended night school at Johns Hopkins University to learn more about metallurgy and construction materials. From August, 1941, to January, 1945, Don served his country in the in the US Army during WWII, first at Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD, for two months prior to being assigned to the US Army Air Corps. Before leaving for overseas duty, he married Ruth Benson on June 13, 1942.

Don served his country for three and one-half years during WWII

in England, Belgium, and France, where he took part in the invasion of Paris

After the war, he returned to Westinghouse, formerly Sturtevant, working in Philadelphia for three years before joining Springs Cotton Mills in Lancaster, SC, for three years. Westinghouse enticed him back in February, 1951, and he worked for them in Atlanta until he was induced to join Chicago Blower Corp in 1968. In 1980 Don retired, but immediately formed his own company, Hutchco, Inc., an independent industrial sales representative, which he operated for fourteen years before turning the business over to his son in 1993.

The first child in the Hutchinson family was Patricia, born in 1948, who was followed by Thomas in 1951 and Jane in 1954.

Upon true retirement, Don and Ruth moved to Cumming, GA, and switched from the Presbyterian Church, where he had served as an Elder, a Deacon, and a Sunday school teacher, to the Methodist Church. Don was an enthusiastic supporter of Class of '39 activities and served for several years on the Heritage Gardens Committee. He and Ruth enjoy playing bridge and spending time with their family.

Ruth died on May 4, 2011, and was remembered during the 2011 Class of '39 Memorial Service on June 10, 2011, as recorded in the 2011 Class of '39 Reunion program. Don followed Ruth in death on September 24, 2014, and is buried beside her in the Georgia National Cemetery, Canton, GA. Don was predeceased by his parents and is survived by his three children, Patricia and husband Lewis Stafford of Marietta, GA, Thomas and wife Debra Hutchinson of Atlanta, and Jane and husband Dave Adams of Suwanee, GA; eight grandchildren and five great grandchildren; and two brothers, Bill Hutchinson of Jacksonville, GA, and Jack Hutchinson of Suwanee, GA.

Melvin Eugene Sammons

Died June 14, 2014



1935-36



2008

Melvin was born in Greenville on May 14, 1917, a son of Tryman Rudolph and Sally Agnes Merrill Sammons. He graduated from Greenville's Parker High School in 1935 and entered Clemson College later that year. He returned to Greenville after his freshman year and in 1941 took a job as a fireman with the Southern Railway.

On July 18, 1942, Melvin enlisted in the army during WWII and served until November 10, 1945. Following his military service, Melvin returned to Greenville and married Muriel Todd on November 24, 1945. He went back to work as a locomotive engineer with the Southern Railway.

In 1976 Melvin had the distinct honor of being selected the engineer of the Freedom Train on its run from Greensboro, NC, to Greenville, SC. To commemorate the United States Bicentennial, the American Freedom Train, comprising restored

steam locomotives and cars of the past, toured the forty-eight contiguous states in 1975-76. With Melvin at the controls of the large steam locomotive (recently restored former Southern Pacific 4449) the train pulled out of Greensboro, NC, on the morning of October 25, 1976, and arrived in Greenville, SC, on November 3, via a circuitous route through Charlotte and Raleigh with three-day stops in each city, allowing opportunities for tours of the more than 500 treasures of Americana exhibited in ten special display cars.

Melvin retired from the Southern Railway in 1978 after 37 years of employment with the company.

He and Muriel had one son, Gene Sammons, who graduated from Clemson in 1976, and two grandsons, Barrett and Chase Sammons. Barrett graduated from the College of Charleston and Chase from Clemson in 2008. He was a member of Northgate Baptist Church in Greenville.

Melvin died on June 14, 2014, and is buried in Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery, Greenville, SC. He was preceded in death by his wife Muriel; two sisters and a brother Lila, Dor, and Jim Sammons. He is survived by his son Gene Sammons and his wife Chris; two sisters Norma Chandler and Maola Dawson; two grandsons Barrett Sammons and Chase Sammons and his wife Meredith.

Ernest Charles Sturgis

Died March 7, 1949



1935-36

Charles Sturgis was born in Sparrows Point, MD on October 10, 1914, a son of George P. and Constance B. Sturgis. He attended high school in Highland Park, M I, and entered Clemson in 1935. At Clemson he was a member of the Block and Bridle Club, participated in intermural sports, and during his senior year was zoology and entomology editor of *The Agrarian*. Charles graduated in 1939 with a BS degree in entomology.

On April 7, 1941, Charles enlisted in Detroit as a private in the field artillery. On November 29, 1941, he married M. Mildred Griggs in Phelps, Missouri, with whom he had one child, a daughter Judy Ann Sturgis. He served for seven years in the Transportation Corps and was discharged in 1948 as a Captain. After completion of his military service, Charles moved to Greenville, SC, and took a job as a salesman with American Mutual Insurance Company.

On Monday, March 7, 1949, Charles and two other salesmen from American Mutual rented a boat and went fishing on the Saluda River. Because of the very windy conditions, the boat capsized and Charles and one friend drowned, while the third occupant, Harold Gibson, made it to shore and went for help. During the following morning, the bodies of the two were recovered from the bottom of the river by drag boats.

Funeral services were held at the Thomas McAfee Funeral Home in Greenville, conducted by Dr. T. D. Lide and Rev. Oran C. Zaebe. Interment was in Graceland Cemetery. Charles is survived by his wife and daughter.



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Mabel McCoy Beasley

Died November 2, 2014

Mabel McCoy was born in Aiken, SC, on March 21, 1924, the daughter of Frank Brown and Mabel Kimball McCoy. She attended the Aiken public schools and married William Alton Beasley on July 31, 1944, with whom she had one son, Alton McCoy Beasley. Mabel worked as a kindergarten teacher at Aiken Day School for twenty-six years. She was a member of Aiken's First Baptist Church and was, at her death, the church's longest-attending member. She and her husband Bill enjoyed square dancing and traveling.

Mabel passed away at age ninety on Sunday, November 2, 2014, and is buried in historic Bethany Cemetery in Aiken.

In addition to her husband Bill, Mabel is survived by two great grandsons, Joseph and Thomas Lochsack of Charlotte, NC; nieces, Macie Kimball McCoy of Aiken and Stephanie McCoy Hewett (Van) of Mt. Pleasant, SC; and a nephew, Howard Grohmann McCoy of Simpsonville, SC. She was predeceased in death by a son, Alton McCoy Beasley; granddaughters, Elizabeth Wilson Beasley and Anna Beasley Lochsack; and a brother, Frank McCoy, Jr.

Vera May Rogers Wright-Boyle

Died January 28, 2013

Vera Rogers was born in Andrews, SC, on September 30, 1921, a daughter of Lonnie A. and Alice S. Rogers. She had two brothers and five sisters. Vera attended the public schools in Andrews, graduating from Andrews High School in 1938. In high school she was a four-year member of the girls' basketball team and was its captain during her senior year. As a high school senior, Vera worked, as needed, in the office of the school principal. Those were the magic years of the shag and jitter-bugging, summer visits to the Pavilion at Pawley's Island, and invitations to the big-band dances at Clemson.

In the fall of 1938, Vera entered Winthrop College on a dining room scholarship. In the summers of 1939 and 1940 she worked in the offices of Overton Manufacturing Company in Andrews and in the summer of 1941 she worked in the new Andrews office of the Boyle Construction Company where she first met William B. Boyle. In June of 1942, she graduated from Winthrop and in the following September began teaching business courses at Andrews High School. In June, 1946, she met Henry "Hank" F. Wright of Ingold, NC, who was Principal of the Williamsburg High School, and they were married on July 30, 1947. In September she transferred to Williamsburg High School and for the next twenty-seven years she taught there, while at the same time making a home for Hank and their two daughters, Ann and Robin. She retired from teaching in June, 1979.

Vera was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma Teachers Association, the National Teachers Association, and the Williamsburg County and SC State Teachers Associations. She was active in the Rosemary Garden Club and was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, for which she served several times as secretary-treasurer and president. She also served several terms as secretary-treasurer of the Andrews Disc Club. Vera was a long-time member - joining in 1934- of Trinity United Methodist Church of Andrews for which she served as a substitute teacher for the Daisy Watson

Ladies' Adult Sunday School Class, as a member of the church choir, and as a volunteer in the church office (and wherever else she was needed).

Hank Wright died in 1990. Their daughter Ann gave them two granddaughters, Alice H. Nolan of Mandeville, LA, and Kery O. Harrelson of Fraser, CO, and Alice and her husband gave them great-grandson, Henry "Hank" A. Nolan of Mandeville, LA.

Five years after her first husband's death, Bill Boyle came back into Vera's life, and they were married on November 21, 1995. They lived in Sumter, SC, where Vera was a member of the Sunset Country club, the Thursday Afternoon Book Club, and the Tuesday Readers' Club. In 2004, when the soldiers of the 1st Battalion of the 178th Field Artillery of the US Army returned from Iraq, Vera was presented the prestigious Molly Pitcher Award for writing letters of encouragement to every soldier of the 178th.

In 2006 Vera and Bill moved to the Clemson Downs, a retirement community in Clemson, SC, to be near Vera's daughter Robin Lee in Travelers Rest, SC. In 2011, when macular degeneration and a light stroke made it necessary to move Bill to a nursing home in Laurens, SC, Vera moved to Travelers Rest to live with Robin.

Vera died at St. Francis Hospital in Greenville, SC, on Monday, January 28, 2013. She is survived by husband Bill Boyle; daughters Ann W. Pressley (Don) of Covington, LA, and Robin Lee of Travelers Rest; stepson, Bill Boyle, Jr., of Sumter; two sisters, Dot Wollitz Beard of Jacksonville, FL, and Ettre Vee Moskow of Denmark, SC; three grandchildren, Alice Nolan (Stewart) of Mandeville, LA, Kery Harrelson of Granby, CO, and Kim Osborne of Columbia, SC; and great grandchildren, Henry, Avery, Conner, Will, Jackson, and Pressley. In addition to her parents, Vera was predeceased by her first husband Henry F. Wright; three sisters, Ethel Newton, Frances Blake, and Agnes Edwards; and two brothers, Pergeous and Alton Rogers.

Elizabeth Brown Talbert

Died June 27, 2007

Elizabeth "Lib" Brown was born in McCormick, SC, in 1920, a daughter of Edgar B. and Willie Mae Brown. She attended the local public schools and entered Winthrop College in 1936, graduating with a BA degree in 1940. On July 9, 1940, Lib married John Nixon (Nick) Talbert, a 1939 graduate of Clemson College.

In January, 1941, Nick was called to active duty with the US Army and served for over six years, retiring on July 8, 1947, from wounds received in the Battle of the Bulge. He returned to McCormick and began working for Milliken and Company from which he retired as an executive in 1981. Lib taught high school in McCormick for twenty years and was a dedicated and active member of the McCormick First Baptist Church, where she also attended Sunday school. After Nick retired, Lib and he enjoyed traveling throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe.

In February, 2004, Lib and Nick moved to Anderson, SC, to be near their son Edgar and she later moved into the Anderson Place Nursing Home.

Lib passed away on June 27, 2007, in Anderson and is buried in the McCormick City Cemetery. She was predeceased by her parents and a son, John Nixon Talbert, Jr., and she is survived by her husband, Nick; son, Edgar L. Talbert of Anderson; and daughter, Elizabeth T. Cosimano of Ladson, SC.



Obituaries
of
Wives of Honorary Classmates
whose deaths have become known to us
since our last reunion
in June, 2014

Frances Carol Turner

Died November 23, 2014



Frances Carol Moschgat Turner, 76, wife of Raymond Clyde Turner passed away peacefully on Sunday, Nov. 23, 2014 at her home in Clemson, SC. For almost five years she had fought hard against cancer with the help of her family.

Mrs. Turner was born December 22, 1937 in Lilly, PA, a daughter of the late George L. and Mildred Benton Moschgat. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by brothers, Bernard and Richard Moschgat.

After graduation from Lilly High School she moved to Pittsburgh, PA, where she lived for 12 years working as a telephone operator. There she met and married Raymond Turner when he was a graduate student at the University of Pittsburgh. They then moved with their family to Clemson, SC, where she lived for 46 years.

She worked for many years in the Pickens County Library System, and was a longtime member of both the Clemson University Women's Club and St. Andrew Catholic Church. When her husband became an honorary member of the Clemson University Class of 1939, she became active in the Class activities. She also participated with her husband at many physics teacher workshops across the country. After he retired as a professor from Clemson University, they enjoyed many trips with family and friends.

Surviving in addition to her husband of 54 years, are sons, Ray Turner (Erika White) of Central, and Richard Turner (Angie) of Simpsonville; a daughter, Linda Pollard (Mark) of Clemson; a brother, Joseph Moschgar (Carol) of Lilly, PA; sisters, Mary Paul (Robert) of Lilly, PA, Doris Merlini and Rita Butterbaugh (Homer) of Cassandra, PA; grandchildren, Turner and Justin Hill, Aaron and Lindsay Pollard, and Hayden and Molly Turner; and numerous nephews and nieces. She loved her family and friends and, in turn, she was loved by all.

Memorial services were held at St. Andrew Catholic Church, in Clemson at 12:00 noon on Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2014. The family received friends on Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM at Duckett-Robinson Funeral Home, Central. Burial was at Woodland Cemetery at Clemson University in a private ceremony.

Memorials may be made in support of the Class of '39 Heritage Gardens at the SC Botanical Gardens, 150 Discovery Lane, Clemson, SC 29631 or to the Cancer Association of Anderson, 215 East Calhoun St., Anderson, SC 29621.



Raymond Turner
Honorary '39
James Sweeny '39
Deceased
Frances Turner
(At a '39 Reunion)



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Elton W. Shepherd Jr. – 1989
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David L. Senn – 1996
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Jeannie Kelly – 1997
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Carolyn Robinson – 2000
Adrienne L. Tucker – 2000
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Plus wives of all deceased classmates

Leadership Committee

A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

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The Leadership Committee was established January 8, 2007 to effect a smooth transition of leadership of the Class of '39 original members of the class to the Honorary Members of the class. The purpose of the committee is to perpetuate the memory, ideals, and goals of the original Members of the Great Class of '39.

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A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

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The purpose of the Reunion Committee is to plan, organize and conduct class meetings, especially including the annual reunion in June.

Heritage Garden Committee

A Standing Committee of the Class of '39

Frank Cox¹ '68, Chairman

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Mary Welch³

Michele Welch '89

¹ Son of Walter Cox '39

² Son of Clinton Cook '39

³ Daughter of Joel Radcliffe '39

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★ Walter Cox

★ Frank O'Neal

★ Shep Shepherd (Emeritus)

★ Jim Sweeny

★ Tommy Thomson

★ George Williams (Honorary)

★ Russ Wolfe

★ Bill Zeigler

★ - Deceased

The function of the Heritage Garden Committee is to oversee the design, construction, and long-time maintenance in coordination with appropriate University administrative operations.

The Great Class

of

1939

Class Activities 2014-2015

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Class of '39 Reunion June 13-14, 2014



Dr. Tate Leonard (Tee) Senn
President, Class of '39



Ltc. Ralph Welcome (Jim) Boys
Class of '39



Tee and Betty Senn

75th



Ralph Boys Betty Dixon



Richie Senn David Senn



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Class of '39 Memorial Service June, 2014



Members of the Class of '39, family and friends gather under the tent in the CU Botanical Garden to honor the memory of deceased members of the Class.



Class of '39 honorary members give readings about the deceased members as plaques are pointed out on the Scroll of Honor and the Guardroom Bell is rung.



The Fort Hill Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir sing the Star Spangled Banner and the CU Alma Mater, after which Brian Muir, BSA, plays Taps.



Vince Brawley, Chalmers Butler and Joel Brawley discuss the new hammer to ring the bell.



Everybody joins in the memorial service and in the socialising.



Class of '39 Induction

June, 2014

Induction of last year's Award for Excellence winner, John Ballato.



Presentation of
Award Certificate
By Chip Egan and
Class President
Tee Senn.



John receives the Commemorative
corkscrew from Windsor Sherrill.
He then addresses the audience.



Induction of new honorary members, A. Vincent Brawley and Richie Senn.



Vince Brawley is presented the certificate of honorary membership
in the Class of '39 by Chip Egan and Tee Senn.



Richie Senn, grandson of
Tee Senn, is presented the
certificate of honorary
membership by Chip
and Tee.



Clemson '39ers and Guests June, 2014

Entertainers and Other Special Guests



Linda Li-Bleuel



Joel Brawley and
Brad Russell



Scenes from "A Few Good Men"



Ann Hunter, President of the
Clemson Alumni Association
Gives 75th Anniversary
Presentations to '39ers Tee
Senn and Ralph (Jim) Boys.



Clemson Mayor
J. C. Cook



and
Ben Sill



Give presentations to the audience.

Socializing and Dining





Medal of the

Class of '39 Award for Excellence

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For the year 2014

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Dr. Catherine Mobley

Award for Excellence - 2014

Catherine Mobley

Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

Ph.D., Sociology, University of Maryland, 1996

M.Sc., Policy Analysis and Development, University of Bath, England, 1990

B.A., Sociology, Clemson University, 1984

Dr. Catherine Mobley is a Professor of Sociology at Clemson University and a Clemson University alumna (Class of 1984). After graduating from Clemson, Dr. Mobley worked for several organizations in the Washington, D.C. area, including the American Association for Retired Persons, the Rand Corporation, the U.S. Department of Education, and Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. She earned her Masters in Policy Analysis and Development at the University of Bath and her PhD in Sociology at the University of Maryland. She returned to Clemson in 1996 as Assistant Professor of Sociology, earning tenure in 2001 and promotion to Professor of Sociology in 2012.

An applied sociologist, Dr. Mobley is dedicated to serving others through research that address some of the most pressing issues confronting the region, state, and nation. Her scholarship is grounded in the belief that sociological research can be used to advance scientific knowledge within the discipline as well as to improve the quality of life of the surrounding community and region. Anyone who reads the newspaper or listens to television news knows that topics such as STEM education and environment and sustainability are crucial to our country's ability to remain competitive and to our long-term economic prospects. Since long before these topics started generating national headlines, Dr. Mobley has been applying her expertise to generate innovative and comprehensive approaches to these important topics. Much of this research is interdisciplinary in nature, as she has collaborated with faculty from across campus on funded research and publications. Dr. Mobley's research has been supported by over \$10 million in grants on which she has been either principal or co-investigator.

Dr. Mobley is also dedicated to including Clemson's undergraduate and graduate students in her work. A nationally recognized expert on service-learning, she has served as a core faculty member for two living-learning communities: the Community Scholars/Civics and Service House and the Leading for the Environment and Future community. She has mentored over 300 undergraduate students seeking field experience in sociology. Dr. Mobley has served on nearly 70 masters and PhD committees for students from across the university. Students in her graduate course in evaluation research have worked with non-profits throughout the upstate including the United Way of Pickens County, Pickens County Meals on Wheels, Safe Harbor, Anderson Interfaith Ministries, Clemson Community Care, and Littlejohn Community Center.

An active member of the upstate community, Dr. Mobley is a past board member of the Clemson Area League of Women Voters, the Upstate Homeless Coalition, and the United Way of Pickens County. She is a co-founder of Upstate Locavores, a grassroots group dedicated to strengthening the local food system, supporting farmers, and advocating for sustainable agriculture.

Dr. Mobley, lives with her husband, Chris Kempton, and daughter, Julia, in Six Mile where they operate a small farm and apple orchard.

Bell Tower Ceremony and Reception

January 13, 2015

Please join the Faculty Senate for a reception in honor of

The Great Class of '39

and 2014 Recipient of the Class of '39 Award for Excellence

Dr. Catherine Mobley

on

January 13, 2015 at 4:30pm

Meet in the Carillon Gardens for the '39 Bell Tower Ceremony, immediately followed by a reception serving heavy hors d'oeuvres in Hendrix's David Peebles Ballroom. Transportation will be provided from the ceremony to the reception.

Please RSVP by January 9, 2015,
with your name and one guest to
Katie Daniels at kadanie@g.clemson.edu or
864-656-2456

Note that due to inclement weather, both the Bell Tower Ceremony and the Reception were held indoors in the Hendrix's David Peebles Ballroom.

Bell Tower Ceremony

January 13, 2015



Faculty Senate President Katsiyannis presents Certificate of Award for Excellence to Catherine Mobley



CU President Clements gives Photo of Bell Tower to Catherine



Chip Egan and Class of '39 President Tee Senn present class memorabilia to Catherine



Catherine enjoying this good time with her daughter, Julia Kempton, and her husband, Christopher Kempton



Catherine with her family, friends & colleagues: L to R - Kathy Woodard (CU), Julia, Catherine, Christopher, Fran Reid McGuigan (CU '84), and Zoey Rowley (CU student)



Provost Jones acknowledging Catherine's accomplishments

'39ers at the 2015 Bell Tower Ceremony



Class of '39
Attendees
2015 Bell Tower Ceremony

Seated: **From left to right**
Arthur P. Young
Donald M. McKale
Tee Senn, President
Raymond C. Turner
Larry L. Bauer

2nd Row Standing: Sandy Edge
Chalmers M. Butler
Alfred P. Wheeler
Anne M. Grant
Cathy T. Sturkie
Clifton S. M. Egan
Catherine Mobley
John M. Billato
R. Lawrence LaForge
Charles Bradley Russell
Joel V. Bradley
Webb M. Smathers
Richard S. Figliola
David L. Senn

3rd Row Standing: R. Trent Allen
D. Kinly Sturkie
William T. Pennington Jr.
Benjamin L. Sill
Francis A. McGuire
Cecil O. Huey
Windsor W. Sherrill
Richie Senn

Faculty Senate Reception January 13, 2015



Catherine Mobley and
President Clements



CU President Clements welcomes
Tee Senn, President of the Class of '39



Tee Senn



F.S. President Katsiyannis
and Provost Jones



Catherine (far right) presents her daughter and husband



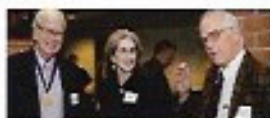
Too, Honorary '39ers and guests enjoy
refreshments and socializing



Jeremy King
Former FS Pres.



President Clements and
Hon. '39er Ray Turner



A wonderful crowd of Honorary '39ers,
faculty senators and guests



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1889

Founding of
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1939

Graduation of the
Clemson A & M
Class of 1939



1989

Golden Anniversary
of the
Clemson University
Class of 1939

2015

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of the
Great Class of '39